

AMENDED CLAIMS

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original claims 1-12 replaced by new claims 1-7

1. A foam control composition comprising (i) a non-silicon-containing organic liquid selected from the group consisting of hydrocarbon oils and vegetable oils, (ii) a branched siloxane resin, (iii) a particulate filler which is insoluble in the organic liquid, (iv) an additive composition comprising a polyol ester which is a polyol substantially fully esterified by carboxylate groups each having 7 to 36 carbon atoms, (v) a particulate carrier supporting the granulated foam control agent, and (vi) a water-soluble or water-dispersible binder deposited on the carrier particles.

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2. A foam control composition according to Claim 14 characterized in that the additive composition comprises 5-95 parts by weight of the polyol ester, and 5-95 parts by weight of a component which is miscible in its molten state with the polyol ester, and is more polar than the polyol ester, at least one of the polyol ester and the more polar component being miscible with the organic liquid.

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3. A foam control composition according to Claim 14 characterized in that the additive composition is present at 20-200% by weight based on the organic liquid.

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4. A foam control composition according to Claim 13 characterized in that the branched siloxane resin consists of monovalent trihydrocarbonsiloxyl (M) groups of the formula $R''_3SiO_{1/2}$ and tetrafunctional (Q) groups $SiO_{4/2}$ wherein R'' denotes an alkyl group and the number ratio of M groups to Q groups is in the range 0.4:1 to 1.1:1.

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5. A foam control composition according to Claim 16 characterized in that the branched siloxane resin is present at 2 to 10% by weight based on the organic liquid.

6. A foam control composition according to Claim 13 characterized in that the particulate filler is a silica filler with an average particle size of from 0.5 to 30 μ m.

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7. A foam control composition according to Claim 18 characterized in that the particulate filler is present at 2 to 10% by weight based on the organic liquid.